

# Pedestrian Action Plan



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# Today's Agenda

1. Background
2. Project Overview
3. Phase 1 Plan Summary
4. Public Involvement
5. Website Overview
6. Questions & Answer

# Project Background

- *Pedestrian fatalities in Delaware*
- *Advisory Council on Walkability and Pedestrian Awareness was created in April 2006 to help develop the 2007 Delaware Statewide Pedestrian Action Plan.*
- *Some notable recommendations from the 2007 plan that were implemented:*
  - *Adopted a Complete Streets Policy.*
  - *Split the current Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator position into two positions (Bicycle Coordinator and Pedestrian Coordinator).*
  - *Designated a full-time DelDOT Title II ADA Coordinator.*
  - *Modified design process and subdivision review process to include sign off approval of Title II ADA Coordinator, Pedestrian Coordinator and Bicycle Coordinator.*
  - *Developed and maintain an inventory of existing pedestrian facilities, and identify all elements that are not ADA compliant.*
  - *Integrated transportation and land use planning at all levels of government.*
- *Reestablishment of the Pedestrian Council in October 2015*
- *Pedestrian Council Status, 2023*

# How often do you walk whether for leisure/exercise or to get to a destination?

Always

Most of the time

Sometimes

Never

# Does the presence of pedestrian facilities such as sidewalks and shared-use paths influence your decision whether to walk or not?

Yes

No

Sometimes

Not applicable

# How far are you willing to walk to get to a destination?

Less than 1/4 mile

1/4 mile - less than 1/2 mile

1/2 mile - less than 1 mile

1 mile or more

It depends

# Project Overview

**Purpose:** Update the 2007 Delaware Pedestrian Action Plan.

## Phase 1 (Draft Being Finalized)

- Collect and summarize existing pedestrian plans and DelDOT initiatives.
- Began pedestrian crash cluster and connectivity mapping.
- Develop project website.
- Began Public Involvement.

## Phase 2 (To begin Spring 2023)

- Public outreach.
- Internal DelDOT coordination to explore changes to programs and policies.
- Additional pedestrian crash cluster, connectivity and **equity** mapping.

## Phase 3 (To begin Fall 2023)

- Implementation plan with potential new action items, countermeasures, policies, or programs to improve ped connectivity and safety.
- Additional Public and stakeholder outreach.
- Establish performance measures.

# Following FHWA Guidance: How to Develop a Pedestrian Safety Action Plan

## FHWA Pedestrian Safety Action Plan “Big Picture” Approach:

- Phase 1** >>> • Collecting Data to Identify Pedestrian Safety Problems ✓
- Phase 2** >>> • Involve Stakeholders ✓
- Phase 2** >>> • Analyze Information and Prioritize Concerns
- Phase 3** >>> • Identify Safety Solutions
- Phase 3** >>> • Identify Funding

### FHWA Pedestrian Safety Action Plan steps:

- Phase 1** >>> **Step 1:** Define Objectives. ✓
- Phase 1** >>> **Step 2:** Identify Locations.
- Phase 3** >>> **Step 3:** Select Countermeasures.
- Phase 3** >>> **Step 4:** Develop an Implementation Strategy.
- Phase 3** >>> **Step 5:** Institutionalize Changes to Planning and Design Standards.
- Phase 3** >>> **Step 6:** Consider Land Use, Zoning and Site Design Issues.
- Ongoing** >>> **Step 7:** Reinforce Commitment.
- Ongoing** >>> **Step 8:** Evaluate Results.



# Vision Statement

*“DelDOT continues to strive toward zero deaths in order to eliminate fatalities and serious injuries for all modes of travel. This plan will outline clear steps toward ensuring a safe, accessible, connected, and equitable network for pedestrians traveling along state-maintained roadways.”*

# Pedestrian Action Plan Table of Contents - Phase 1

## GOALS SUMMARY



### INVENTORY & PLAN

Provide and promote pedestrian mobility, connectivity, and accessibility.



### STANDARDS & GUIDELINES

Revise and consolidate policies, plans, regulations, standards, and guidelines that ensure safe pedestrian access to all transportation facilities.



### IMPLEMENTATION & EDUCATION

Develop programs and strategies to improve pedestrian safety through education, outreach, and implementation.



### RESPONSIBILITY & FUNDING

Enhance operation and maintenance for all pedestrian facilities and identify funding responsibilities.



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Pedestrian  
**Action Plan**

Phase I

**2022**

# Public Involvement Plan

*(Could Change as we Progress)*

## Phase 1 (Complete)

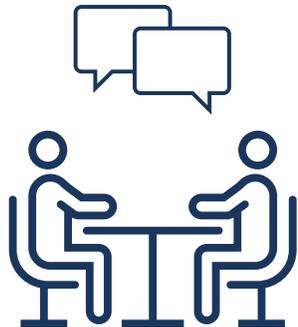
**Internal Coordination (current plans / actions / initiatives)**

**Online Engagement:**

- Launched project website
- Public survey

**In-Person Engagement:**

- Promoted survey at community events through October.



## Phase 2 (Underway)

**Internal Coordination (identify new actions / initiatives)**

**Online Engagement**

**In-Person Engagement:**

- Continue to promote survey at community events, pop-ups, and listening sessions.
- Anticipate in-person outreach in high crash and EJ areas.

## Phase 3 (To begin Fall 2023)

**Implement Internal Changes & Final Plan**

**Online and In-Person Engagement**

# Website Preview



## Pedestrian Action Plan

Home

Goals and Objectives

County Summaries ▾

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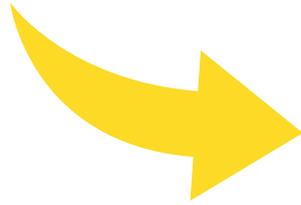
## Pedestrian **Action Plan**



Link to website:

<https://tinyurl.com/pedactionplan>

**TAKE THE PUBLIC  
SURVEY NOW!**



Questions